

- (i) Search for all possible survivors upto the water logged workings.
- (ii) Start of dewatering operations from both Bagdigi and Joyrampur sides.
- (iii) Drilling operations from VIII seam to VII seam in the rise side of the panel to provide oxygen to any probable survivors who may have taken shelter in the rise side air pockets.
- (iv) Establishment of an escape route to the victims who may be rescued from Joyrampur side.
- (v) Requisition of services of naval underwater divers to search the air pockets for any survivors in advance of dewatering operations.
- (vi) Shri Salim Ansari was rescued alive as he took shelter in a air pocket.

As the quantity of water to be pumped out was large, the pumping operations took time. The bodies of all 29 victims have been recovered and handed over to their families.

- (b) In view of the reply to part (a) above, question does not arise.
- (c) Internal Safety Organisation, Coal India Ltd. has taken up the enquiry of this accident. The finding of the enquiry report and recommendation will be implemented by the coal company.

DGMS, under Section 23 of Mines Act is conducting statutory enquiry.

Ministry of Labour is appointing a Court of Enquiry by a High Court Judge under Section 24 of Mines Act, 1952.

Minister of Coal visited the colliery on 10th February, 2001 and has placed three officers under suspension and transferred General Manager of the area.

Composition to the Families of Miners

1164. SHRIGAYA SINGH:

SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:

SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA:

PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY:

SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV:

SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 38 miners were trapped and dead recently in Bagdigi Colliery in Dhanbad, if so, the details thereof including the reasons;

(b) whether Government have conducted any enquiry into the accident, if so, the outcome thereof including the action taken against the guilty people; and

(c) the details of compensation/rehabilitation to next kith and kin of the deceased miners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) 30 miners including Manager and one Asstt. Manager were trapped on 2-2-2001 at about 12.30 P.M. due to sudden inrush of water in the workings of Bagdigi Colliery. Out of 30 persons, 29 bodies have been recovered and one person Shri Salim Ansari was rescued alive from Bagdigi.

While the development of 7 seam in Bagdigi Colliery under Lodna area was in progress within the leasehold area of Bagdigi towards Joyrampur Colliery, level-III heading of 7 seam of Bagdigi Colliery joined with 15 level water logged old working of Joyrampur Colliery resulting in inundation of developed galleries of 7 seam of Bagdigi Colliery. Consequently 30 workers were trapped inside the mine. The exact reasons of the mishap will be known after the statutory enquiry report by DGMS and the Court of Enquiry is submitted.

(b) A Court of Enquiry is being set up by Ministry of Labour to investigate into the facts and circumstances leading to the incident and fixing up of responsibility. Pending detailed investigation, the agent of Bagdigi Colliery, Shri A.K. Sengupta, the former surveyor Shri R.N. Kundu and the present surveyor, Shri R.C. Das have been put under suspension.

(c) Details are given in the statement below.

[7th March, 2001]

Statement
Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BAGDIGI MINES DISASTER)
Compensation/benefits to the next of kin in case of death

(Amount in Rupees)

S. No.	Name	Designation	Date of birth	Gratuity	Workmen's Compensation	Life cover scheme	Benevolent Fund expenses	Funeral expenses	Total Ex-garantion	Total
1	Mohan Gharwar	Cableman	21.10.60	50,406.08	184,170.00	39,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	505,326.08
2	Anup Yadav	Prop. Mazdoor	30.7.44	141,014.41	131,950.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	543,714.41
3	Chotu Mia	Lime Mazdoor	6.7.41	109,771.56	121,050.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	501,573.56
4	Jagmohan Gope	Drillman	1.7.45	133,374.20	135,560.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	539,684.20
5	Shyamapada Bouri	Driller	1.7.58	74,881.76	175,540.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	521,171.76
6	Shencharam Tanti	Cableman	14.4.57	30,836.70	184,170.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	485,756.70
7	Sanraj Prasad	Cableman	1.7.74	21,270.90	213,570.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	505,590.90
8	Manoj K. Jaisware	Gen. Mazdoor	5.2.76	5,621.40	216,910.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	493,281.40
9	Shyamla Kora	Gen. Mazdoor	16.8.70	43,404.05	205,950.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	509,104.05
10	Kala Rabidas	Drillman	9.5.59	52,100.58	178,490.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	501,340.58
11	Chandradeo Harijan	Dresser	1.9.56	85,462.74	172,520.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	528,732.74
12	Lakhan Soren	Drillman	27.5.66	35,106.69	197,060.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	502,916.69
13	Situ Mahato	SF Mazdoor	1.7.44	103,593.95	128,330.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	502,673.95
14	Swami Nath Noma	M. Sirdar	1.7.42	183,333.00	121,050.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	575,133.00
15	Narayan Barhi	M. Sirdar	4.7.46	150,453.45	135,560.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	556,763.45
16	Rajendra Pd. Yadav	Forman I/C	20.8.58	52,610.25	178,490.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	501,850.25
17	Ghura Singh	Fitter	5.1.49	127,194.00	146,200.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	544,144.00
18	Brijmohan Singh	H/Tyndal	2.3.67	43,657.58	199,400.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	513,807.58
19	Darath Bhuria	Fitter	6.7.44	140,518.75	128,330.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	539,598.75
20	Ramanathan Paswan	Gen. Mazdoor	3.2.66	20,280.75	197,060.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	488,090.75
21	Banshi Barhi	SF Mazdoor	1.7.47	112,286.40	139,130.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	522,166.40
22	Pitam Singh	Cableman	23.2.67	40,491.75	199,400.00	30,090.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00	510,641.75

RAJYA SABHA

[7th March, 2001]

S. No	Name	Designation	Date of birth	Gratuity	Workmen's Compensation	Life cover scheme	Benevolent Fund expenses	Total Ex-gratia	TOTAL
23	Arvind Kumar	Overman	11.2.67	19,918.50	199,400.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00
24	Gulzar	SF Mazdoor	2.3.48	105,387.45	142,680.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00
25	Jainul Abedin	Fitter	17.1.48	80,553.89	142,680.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00
26	Ashok Kumar Mondal	Fitter I/C	5.1.64	52,532.70	192,140.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00
27	Abdul Hamid	M/Sirdar	12.7.52	98,427.60	156,470.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	750.00	230,000.00

EXECUTIVES

NANE OF VICTIM	DESIGNATION	Date of birth	Gratuity	Workmens compensation	Group insurance	Benefvolent fund	Total Ex-gratia	TOTAL
28 A.K. Upadhyaya #	Manager	1.3.58	264831.00	75540.00	100000.00	100000.00	205,000.00	745371.00
29 P.R. Singh #	St. ACM	1.12.63	99282.00	114560.00	75000.00	100000.00	205000.00	593842.00

*MOS (Coal)—Rs. 1,25,000+Consulative Committee of BCCL-Rs. 75,000+•NCWA-VIRs. 25,000CMD BCCL-Rs. 5,000 =Rs. 2,30,000/-.

**Executive do not get this relief as per Common Coal Cadre applicable to executives of CIL.

In addition to the above the following benefits will accrue to the next of kin.

- (1) Provident Fund as per Coal Mines Provident Fund Rules depending upon the contribution of the member.
- (2) Pension as per the Coal Mines Provident Fund Pension Rules.
- (3) Employment to the next of kin.

Minister of State (Coal) has announced an Ex-gratia of Rs. 50,000/- to Shri Salim Ansari the lone survivor for the trauma he suffered for six days during his entrapment inside the mine.

- (i) One employment to next of kin of all the deceased have been given except for late Shri R.N. Singh whose dependent has not turned up.
- (ii) All payment except workmen compensation and ex-gratia by Consultative Committee has been paid to all the employees.

Benevolent fund contribution is being paid.